CHILDREN'S DEPARTMENT.

The Baby's Letter.

"I wis I could wite a letter!"
Said the baby with a sigh,
"But the pencil don't go wight a bit,—
'Tisn't any use to twy;

But"—thoughtfully—"I know one
ings,—
I can make a one, two, fee,—
Would 'at be a letter, mamma?—
I should sink 'at be."

"I should think so, dear," said mamma
So he made a "1 3 8"
"You see," he said, "I love Aunt Sue,
And I want to write to she."

And Aunt Sue wrote (the baby's eyes
Glowed with triumphant glee),
'The nicest letter I ever saw
Was the baby's '1 3 8!"

—KATE UPSON CLARK.

DEAR EDITOR: This is my first attempt to write for the Children's Column. I am ten years old. I have one sister and one brother. School commenced today and I started. I will try to go every day if I can. I go to Sabbath school every Sunday. Sarah Keim is my teacher and I like her very much. I live near the Center church but I go to the Brethren church, to Louisville. I like the Brethren church very much. We have an organ and Bertha Hang plays. She is eleven years old. I will answer Sadie Freeland's question. What was the name of the city to which Lot fled. He fled to Sodom. I will enclose ten cents for the Missionary Fund. I wish the little girls would all write for the paper and put in your mite.

ELLA B. HOOVER.

Louisville, Ohio.

DEAR EDITOR: I see so many nice letters in the Children's Column from the little folks. I like to read them very much. I thought I would write a few lines. I am twelve years old. I go to school now. Our school will last five weeks. I study Arithmetic, Geography, Grammar, Reading, and Writing. My teacher's name is Miss Munson. I go to the Methodist Sabbath school. Mr. Melick is our Superintendent. Mrs. Goughnour is my teacher. The brethren organized a church here a few weeks ago. My pa and ma belong to that church. This is my first letter, and if it don't go in the waste basket, I may write again. I will close by asking a question. What king slept in an iron bed-stead.

HARRY BURGER.

Dallas Center, Iowa.

DEAR EDITOR: As I have never written for the Children's Column and have seen so many boys and girls in the EVANGELIST, I thought I would try and write one to. I am only ten years old. I go to school every day. My studies are Geography, Grammar, Writing, Reading, Spelling, Arithmetic, and Elocution. I have two brothers and two sisters. I have one sister and one brother in heaven. I go to Sunday school every Sunday. My teacher's name is Mrs. Roberts. My the father and mother belong to Brethren church. I will close for this time.

BERTHA CASSEL.

Philadelphia, Pa.

DEAR EDITOR: I will for the first time try to write a few lines for the Children's Column. My father and mother belong to the Brethren church. I am eight years old. I have one brother six years old, and one sister four years old I had a little brother thirteen months old, he was our little Lamb. He has gone to the good man's house now, mamma says, for his little Angel. I go to school. My teacher's is Miss Mary Kinsley. I will send 10 cents for the Missionary Fund.

EMMA J. SHOWALTER.

Adrian, Mo.

DEAR EDITOR: As I have never written for the Children's Column, I thought I would write a few lines, as there are so many little folks writing. Today is Easter Sabbath. Every thing looks so nice. The cherry trees look like snow ball trees. Pa and grandpa have gone to church and ma is reading the EVANGELIST. I have three brothers living and one sister and one brother dead. I will be ten years old next July. Ma gave me a little square in the garden and I planted it. The onions are getting green. When they get big enough pa is going to sell them and send the money to the Missionary Fund for me, and I hope I will hear from some more of our little girls and boys doing the same.

KATIE J. STUTZMAN

Johnstown, Pa.

DEAR EDITOR: I will try to write a letter for the second time. I go to Sunday school every Sunday. My teacher's name is Mrs. Ettie Rock. I like her very much. I used to go to the Methodist Sunday school then I went to the United Brethren and now we have a union school here in the German Reform church. My pa is the Superintendent. I will close by answering John Lehman's question. How old was Jesus when he was taken to Jerusalem? He was twelve years old.

MARY SHOE.

Sherwood, Ohio.

DEAR EDITOR: I thought I would write a letter for the Children's Column. We live one mile west of Sherwood. We have a cow and eight chickens. Pa and I were chopping wood in the woods. We also were underbrushing. We got $2. an acre. Our school is going to commence the 1st Monday in May. The teacher's name is Irvin Spittler. I will close by answering a few questions. Almeda Shrider's, What were the names of the three Hebrew children? Shadrach, Mehsach and Ebednego. Vinnie Wasson's, What was Joshua's father's name? Nun.

GEORGE SHOE.

Sherwood, Ohio.

DEAR EDITOR: As I like to read the children's letters in the EVANGELIST, I thought I would write one to. I am ten years old. I am going to the Normal school this term. I like the school real well. I also go to Sabbath school every Sunday. We have a Band of Hope here in Morrill. I like to attend it very much. It teaches us to abstain from every thing that is bad. My little sister also attends. Dear Editor: I read in your letter in No 13. I thought I would write and tell you what I intend to do this summer. When I get home from school I will fix my mother's flower beds and help her take care of them. I am going to plant a row of potatoes and sell them and give the money for the Msssionary Fund. Now I would like to know how many little boys and girls will go to work with me and see how much we can raise for the Fund. There are a great many little boys and girls that can't go to Sunday school and meeting like we can, because they live in isolated places and have no preaching. We all should try and have more Sunday schools and a Band os Hope placed in the reach of every little boy and girl and I don't think there would be so many boys use tobacco. For I think it is a very bad habit to use it and to drink strong drink. I will now tell the little boys that read the EVANGELIST last summer and read about me having my right foot taken off in a mower. I now have one of A. A. Marks patent rubber feet. I can walk run and play ball with the rest of the boys. Well as I have no more to write, I will close by answering questions. Almeda Shrider, What was the name of the three Hebrew children? Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego. How old was Jesus when he was taken to Jerusalem? Twelve years old. I remain your little worker. LEWIS S. BOWMAN.

Morrill, Kans.

Uncle Joe's Band of Hope,

DEAR BAND: I have only time to say now that our Band is growing. We now number more than 150. I hope to write you a longer letter soon; and so many of you do not know who Uncle Joe is I will put you on a way to find out. I hope you are all living out your good resolution. One little girl near Altamont, Cal., who is a member of our Band has since joined the Brethren—the Lord's Band of Hope. I expect to hear of many more doing the same. I must close for the present by wishing you all well. Be good and you will be happy.

UNCLE JOE.

Lathrop, Cal.

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"What hard things?"

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